

### **AGENDA**

# Citizens' Advisory Committee

7:00 P.M. - 9:00 P.M. February 8, 2012 Maple Grove Government Center - Room 183

- A. Call to Order by Chair
- B. Oath of Office for Reappointed Members
- C. Minutes: Approve Minutes from December 14, 2011
- D. Area Reports (Forms in Packet)
- E. Police Department Update by Chief David Jess
- F. Other Business and Updates
  - a. City Update on 2012 Projects and Businesses
- G. Adjournment

# Oath of Office for Reappointed Members



### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

**CAC** Members

FROM:

Mike Opatz, CAC Staff Liaison

DATE:

January 8, 2012

**SUBJECT:** 

Oath of Office for Reappointed Members

The following CAC members had their terms expire on 12/31/11, sought reappointment, and were approved by the City Council for another two-year term:

- Leslie Bender
- Linda Furst
- Lorraine Gresser
- Don Skoglund

These CAC members will take the Oath of Office at the meeting.

### Minutes

#### Maple Grove Citizens Advisory Committee

#### **Meeting Minutes**

#### **December 14, 2011**

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by CAC Chair Bob Joiner at the Maple Grove Sports Dome.

Members Present Kevin Rebman Lorraine Gresser Stephen Gill

Bob Joiner Greg Hulne Tim Klevar

Leslie Bender

Katie Rodriguez Pam Larson Joe Piket Joan Masberg

Steven Maas

Harry Kennedy

#### **Members Absent**

Linda Furst, Lorraine Gresser, John Beacham, and Don Skoglund

#### **Others Present**

City Councilmember Phil Leith, CAC City Staff Liaison Mike Opatz, Recreation Superintendent Mark Saari from the Maple Grove Parks and Recreation Department, and two students—who attended as part of their Government class at Maple Grove Senior High School.

#### **Minutes**

The minutes for the September 14, 2011 regular CAC meeting were approved.

#### **Area Reports**

- The traffic lights at Dunkirk Lane and Weaver Lake Road seem to go through a strange cycling process as the green light for the Dunkirk Lane through travel is much shorter than the time allotted for those vehicles on Weaver Lake Road.
- A public education campaign appears to be needed for the roundabouts, especially for the ones at Zachary Lane and 96th Avenue. Many drivers appear to be hesitant about how to navigate through them, which increases the chances for additional serious accidents.
- The exterior site lighting for the smaller retails shops adjacent to the hospital seem abnormally intense. Have we received light pollution complaints about this area and is this within the zoning parameters?
- A job well done by the Public Works crew as a stop sign was knocked down at 96th Avenue and Fernbrook Lane, which was replaced within just a few fours.

# Welcome of Students

The students in attendance introduced themselves and were welcomed by CAC to the meeting.

# **Sports Dome Tour**

Mark Saari provided a tour of the Sports Dome for CAC Members. Mark answered questions relating to the construction costs, design considerations, construction techniques and materials, operating costs,

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operating procedures, and dome maintenance. There was also a fair amount of discussion relating to scheduling and programming of groups events, and activities. Mark thanked the CAC members for their work on this project over the past few years.

Other Business/ Updates

The next CAC meeting is planned for January 2012.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mike Opatz CAC Staff Liaison

# **Area Reports**

# CAC AREA REPORT December 2011

#### **Engineering**

- The traffic lights at Dunkirk Lane and Weaver Lake Road seem to go through a strange cycling process as the green light for the Dunkirk Lane through travel is much shorter than the time allotted for those vehicles on Weaver Lake Road.
  - ✓ *Repsonse*: See attachment.
- A public education campaign appears to be needed for the roundabouts, especially for the ones at Zachary Lane and 96<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Many drivers appear to be hesitant about how to navigate through them, which increases the chances for additional serious accidents.
  - ✓ *Repsonse:* See attachment.

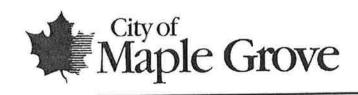
#### **Public Works**

• A job well done by the Public Works crew as a stop sign was knocked down at 96<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Fernbrook Lane, which was replaced within just a few fours.

#### **Community Development**

- The exterior site lighting for the smaller retails shops adjacent to the hospital seem abnormally intense. Have we received light pollution complaints about this area and is this within the zoning parameters?
  - ✓ **Repsonse:** Submitted plans are required to show the intensity of light, regardless of the source, as measured in foot candles. The plans suggest that the illumination levels are within the allowances of code. I am not certain which lights are being cited, but I will assume it is the 'boulevard' or 'pedestal' fixtures that tend to look brighter because they are nearer to eye level than normal parking lot lighting standards (poles). Dick Edwards, Director of Community Development.

Please forward your responses to Mike Opatz (Administration) by Tuesday, December 27, 2011. Thank you for your assistance in answering/addressing these inquiries from CAC members.



### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

**CAC Members** 

Mike Opatz, Transportation Coordinator M82

FROM:

Marc Culver, P.E., Traffic Engineer

DATE:

January 30, 2012

SUBJECT:

December 2011 CAC Area Report Response

#### COMMENT:

The traffic lights at Dunkirk Lane and Weaver Lake Road seem to go through a strange cycling process as the green light for the Dunkirk Lane through travel is much shorter than the time allotted for those vehicles on Weaver Lake Road.

#### **RESPONSE:**

This intersection was converted to "split phase" operation in February of 2011. Split phasing means that the through and left turn signals are green for one direction at the same time, and then the opposite direction gets a green for the through and left turn. In this case, northbound and southbound Dunkirk are on split phasing. While this is not the most efficient signal operation and does result in a lower overall through green time for Dunkirk, due to the lack of left turn lanes and safety issues prior to this change, City staff determined it was necessary to do something for the relative short term. We have applied for federal funds to provide a long term solution so that traffic operations are smoother and more efficient. We are still waiting for the results of that application, but even if we are successful we are likely looking at several years (2014 or beyond), before we could implement the long term solution. This intersection was discussed in the recent Weaver Lake Road corridor study; the results of which can be found on the City website.

City staff will monitor this intersection for issues with signal timing. This summer, we will likely update the signal timing along the Dunkirk corridor. We do this for the entire corridor at once every few years in order to keep the system synchronized from intersection to intersection.

In the meantime, if there is a specific problem experienced at a specific time, please provide as much detail, such as date and time of day, as possible.

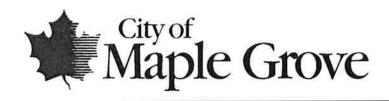
#### COMMENT:

A public education campaign appears to be needed for the roundabouts, especially for the ones at Zachary Lane and 96th Avenue. Many drivers appear to be hesitant about how to navigate through them, which increases the chances for additional serious accidents.

#### RESPONSE:

This has been suggested by a couple of other people and there are some good resources out there for us to borrow for a public education open house. We may want to wait a bit for the Zachary roundabout at 101st Ave and couple this with an outreach for that project. We will keep this in mind and target a spring event if it works with the Zachary project.

# Police Department Update by Chief Dave Jess



#### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

**CAC Members** 

FROM:

Mike Opatz, CAC Staff Liaison

DATE:

January 8, 2012

**SUBJECT:** 

Police Department Update

Police Chief David Jess will provide a general update on the Maple Grove Police Department and local crime statistics. This meeting will also provide Chief Jess the opportunity to introduce himself to CAC as he was recently appointed as the Chief in 2011. Below is information on Chief Jess from the City's website

- Chief David Jess was hired as a Maple Grove police officer on January 7, 1985. He served as a police officer in the City of Wayzata before coming to Maple Grove. David became Maple Grove's Chief of Police in 2011.
- During his tenure with Maple Grove he has served as a Patrol Officer, Investigator, Patrol Sergeant, Emergency Response Unit Commander, Patrol Captain, and Deputy Chief of Police.
- He has an Associate of Arts Degree in Law Enforcement from Alexandria Technical College, a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Criminal Justice Administration from Metropolitan State University, and a Master's Degree in Police Leadership, Administration and Education from the University of St. Thomas.
- Chief Jess has attended management courses including the FBI's Law Enforcement Executive Development Seminar, Minnesota Chiefs of Police CLEO and Command Academy, and the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension's Management Series.

# Other Business and Updates

### General Update on 2012 Projects and Businesses

#### New Business Developments:

- Aldi's Grocery Store 17,886 s.f. grocery store and future development located at Grove Cir and Maple Grove Parkway. No permit app as of 1/31/2012
- Black Box Network Services Construction of a 80,600 s.f. building addition located at 9155 Cottonwood Lane Temp CO issued 1/31/2012 to occupy
- Lord of Life Lutheran Church Expansion Construction of a Church addition of approximate 21,500 s.f. located at 7401 Co. Rd. No. 101 – under construction.
- Granite City Food & Brewery Construction of enclosing an outdoor patio located at 11909 Main Street. Project complete
- Wild Bills Sports Saloon Expanding Exterior Patio and adding an exterior bar structure located at 12730 Elm Creek Blvd. – Project completed summer 2011
- White Castle Constructing a 2,330 s.f. White Castle restaurant located at Dunkirk Lane and Cty Rd 30. Permit application received review process underway
- SPIRE Federal Credit Union Construct a 5,000 s.f. Credit Union with a 1,800 s.f. future addition located at 9580 Blackoaks Lane. No information as of 1/31/2012
- Xcel Energy Fleet Services Building Replace existing building with a new 32,000 s.f. building located at 8701 Monticello Lane. – Under construction
- RSI Recycling Center Construction of a 2,800 s.f. building located 9025 Zachary Lane. Project complete
- Public Works Expansion Project to be completed by March located at 9030 Forestview Lane. Under construction
- Maple Grove Sports Dome Project complete

#### New Residential Developments:

- Bonaire 6<sup>th</sup> Addition Final Plat to develop 22 attached and 27 detach residential lots located at Fieldstone Blvd/Lawndale Ln & 62<sup>nd</sup> Ave/Queensland Ln
- Skye at Arbor Lakes 2 four-story apartment building totaling 466 units and approximately 16,000 s.f. of retail space located at Lakeview Dr & 80<sup>th</sup> Ave.
- Misty Run Final plat of 8 single-family detached residential lots located at 62<sup>nd</sup> Place and Troy Lane.
- Hamlets of Rush Creek 82 single-family detached residential lots located at Cty Rd 101 and Bass Lake Rd.

#### MISC.

 Planning expansion in works at Maple Grove Hospital – planning a \$20 million expansion that will increase the number of beds by nearly 50 percent. Wants to add 40 beds to the present 90 licensed beds. The Hospital will need state approval. – 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> floor remodel underway, 4<sup>th</sup> floor completion under construction.

#### Openings/Closings:

- LeeAnn Chins Opens in Dunkirk Square February 1<sup>st</sup>
- Home Goods moving into the former Circuit City space in The Fountains at Arbor Lakes April, 2012.
- Gander Mountain Closing.

#### **Road Construction:**

- Completion of Bass Lake Road from County Road 101 to Vicksburg: Two year project wrapping up this year. Will include new trails along each side of Bass Lake Road as well as trails under the bridge at Elm Creek.
- 85<sup>th</sup> Ave/Weaver Lake Road construction from Main Street to County Road 81: Upgrade roadway to a four lane divided road including new trails. Two year project starting this summer.
- Zachary Lane north of Highway 610: Add a left turn lane along Zachary up to 101<sup>st</sup> Ave and install a roundabout at 101<sup>st</sup> Ave and Zachary Lane. Due to coordination efforts with other agencies, this project may get pushed into 2013.
- Weaver Lake Road Rehabilitation: Removal of existing pavement and placement of new pavement from West Fish Lake Road to I-94. Will start shortly after Maple Grove Days and will involve reducing Weaver Lake Road to one lane in each direction over several weekends. Weekday traffic will not be impacted.
- Neighborhood Rehabilitation Project: Including residential area southeast of Eagle Lake and area between Ranchview and West Fish Lake Road (including Ranchview Lane and small portions of West Fish Lake Road).
- 105<sup>th</sup> Ave and Dunkirk Lane bridge Replacements: We will be replacing two older bridges that have reached their service life. These bridges are located in the northern portion of the City and currently have gravel roads over them. The new bridges (long culverts) will be wide enough to support new, wider roadways as redevelopment occurs in this area. State Bridge Bond monies are being used for this project.

# AREA REPORT Maple Grove Citizens Advisory Committee

Please use this form to express your concerns, suggestions, and positive comments on things you see taking place in Maple Grove!

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Submit your completed form to Mike Opatz at the monthly CAC meeting. Area Reports will be submitted to the appropriate City staff/department, and a response will be in a future CAC agenda packet.